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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed PTO-1449 form. Copies of the Japanese patent documents and Japanese Office Action are also enclosed.

The information enclosed with this information disclosure statement was first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application. Specifically, a Japanese Office Action dated August 5, 2005, was issued in counterpart Japanese patent application number 2002-290146. A copy of the Japanese Office Action is also provided. A translation of this document will be provided if so required by the Examiner.

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Japanese patent document number 9-246140 generally corresponds to U.S. Patent Nos. 6,335,787 and 6,545,746 and U.S. patent application publication number 2003/0151728 A1.

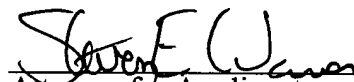
Japanese patent document number 11-312640 generally corresponds to U.S. Patent No. 6,616,898 and U.S. patent application publication number 2002/0094306 A1.

Applicant requests that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed PTO-1449 form be initialed and returned indicating that such information has been considered.

We also enclose a check for the required fee of \$180.00 to cover the Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. 1.97(c)(2). The Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 06-1205 should any other fees be deemed necessary in connection with this paper.

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